

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application for:

Ned M. Smith

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ASSIGN TRUST TO A KEY

Examiner: Courtney D. Fields

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

To The Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed February 2, 2009, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the amendment and remarks to follow.

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.